THE LITTLE ONE AWAY.

World ain't like it used to be-colder skies in May; Summer ain't so sweet to me. The little one's away! Wish the birds a-singing could reach the ones that roam; Wish the sweet bells ringing could ring my darling home!

Bit here in the sunshine, solemn-like, and Morning glories peeping in where once she used to be; They loved her little window, with the blossoms and the lights; Gave her glad good mornings, kissed her sweet good nights.

Sit here in the darkness when no winds And hear the silence singing a sad, sweet

song of her;
I know the lilies dream of her, with her the roses roam, And sunflowers shine like stars of gold and lean to light her home World ain't what it used to be-skies are up at a hotel for want of a home," said

cold and gray; Summer ain't as sweet to me. The little one's away!
Wish the sweet birds singing could reach
the ones that roam;
Wish the glad bells ringing could ring my darling home!
-F. L. Stanton, in Atlanta Constitution.

THE VICAR'S ... MAY MEETING.

BY BRUCE McKEEVER.

BUT, when I assure you, sir, upon my honor, that I had never spoken to alle. Alphonsine before, and that it was quite by chance I went to the supper, through the invitation of an old college chum, won't you reconsider the

Rev. Thomas Dane shook his head deeidedly. "No, Mr. Sinclair, I must act according to my conscience, and that forbids me to consent to my daughter's engagement to a man who frequents such society as that of-erthis dancer, who-I-er-understand is a most-er-notorious character."

"But it was a mere chance, I don't frequent such society," urged Charlie Sinclair, who thought it very hard that, guest at a theatrical supper party had been carried by some malicious busy- "You see, l body to the vicar, his engagement to pretty Rose Dane should be broken off. much favor, and seemed to grasp a fellow feeling for him." eagerly at this pretext for dismissing

"Perhaps you don't remember, Mr. Sinclair," he said, severely, "that we are bidden to avoid all appearance of evil. Had you borne this in mind it might have been well."

"Oh! I see, it's only the appearance of evil you mind, not the thing itself." said Charlie, with unwise sarcasm, for a flush mounted up to Rev. Thomas' cheeks, and he said, feily: "You purand, as this conversation can serve no end, I must request you to bring it to | I hope you'll join us upstairs to-night. a close and leave my house." "May I not at least see Rose and

say good-bye?" said the young man, anxiously. "I cannot permit it. I will explain

everything to my daughter. From your influence you might exercise over her mind would not-er-be for good. Kindly consider our interview at a of a good cigar, Mr. Dane found himself close. My time is valuable, as I have growing wonderfully entertaining. He to prepare for a visit to London;" and recalled several college stories, at This gentleman is Rev. Thomas Dane, Mr. Dane rang the bell with decision.

With head very erect, and a mind boiling with rage at the injustice meted out ford to over ook the disparaging re- said Charlie. to him, Charlie stalked out of the room, marks of the Australian, who had also only restraining himself by a great ef- come up. fort from the undignified measure of slamming the door. But he had hardly closed it when there was a rustle of emerged a slender, auburn-haired creature, with tender blue eyes and a skin of cream and roses, who flung her arms | him. around his neck with a softly anxious ery. "Oh, is it bad news, Charlie? You back so angry."

"The very workst, dearest. He won't allow me to just fy myself. Says our engagement is at Fun end, and has forbidden me even to shay good-by to you, said her lover, holdging her closely.

"As if I would let, you go like that! told Sarah I would answer the door, and Aunt Agatha is trisleep upstairs. Oh, Charlie, what shaddl I do without you?"
"Don't try. Make a bolt of it, and come away within me. We shall be married before he can stop us."

"No, no. I couldn't do that. And there is my money. We should lose that if I married af gainst my father's wishes. No, we must weait. Only-only, Charlie, you-you don't recally care much about that woman, Mille, Alphonsine?" said Rose, her fingers very busy with a certain button of his coat, her eyes downcast, her voice Frather abashed.

"Why, you dear, foolish child, of course I don't. She is old enough to be my mother, and hasn't anything real about her except! her language," said Charlie, with a very reassuring laugh.

"Oh, hush! Go! Father's coming out," cried Rose, in alarm. And snatching a brief kiss, he allowed himself to be hustled out of the front door just as Rev. Thomas emerged from his study to tell Rose to pack his portmanteau over night, and to have breakfast early the next morning, as he was going up to town by the first trair from Slocum

There was no part of the year Mr. Dane enjoyed more than his annual run up to London for the May meetings. He had a wonderfully good taste in cookery for a country person, and never put up at the cheap hestelries patronized by most of his brethren, where bacon and eggs for breakfist, and soup, joint and a tart for dinne constituted the staple fare, and this year he had been recommended to the Lotel Berti as having an excellent cuisie. His expenses were paid by an old ely of his congregation, so he never hal to worry himself about a shilling bre or there, and

when he sat down to inner, and had partaken of some bisqu soup and a sole a la Soulise, he began togel that, after all, there are consolation in this vale

of tears. The hotel was very ful Already enthusiastic colonials were eginning to arrive for the jubilee, and ould be distinguished generally by te ultra newquality of their voices. specimen sharper in Europe or America. Rev. Thomas Dane we believe to have been and was talking in a high and was talking in a hig key to an-

"Take my word for it, A Australia is the coming country over here, if you get five per o of for our money you think you're only lud; we can get 14 or 15 as easy as willing. And, as for trade, you just come or to Syd-sharpers?" cried the Australian, who ney, and we'll open your es for you. had sat thunderstruck. Oh, it takes a smart fellowut of the You may talk about your erby, I so soon." should just like you to see o cup run Mr. Dean had sat with wide mouth for. And the women!-well haven't and staring eyes, but here he sprang on a woman in London that patch excitedly to his feet.

on our Sydney girls." "I wonder he ever came to a a benighted place as England, do you?" I have been as much imposed upon by said a quiet, gentlemanly markho sat next to Mr. Dane, catching t gen- leave this hotel."

I have been as much imposed upon by who have passed the century mark; Roumania, with a population of 5,800,- leave this hotel."

eman's eye and siming.
"He appears a singularly boastful young man," said Mr. Dane, rather glad to have some one to whom to speak. You always notice the want of a uni-

versity education."
"Ah, quite so," said the other. "Money!" the Australian was now as for no other medispend it. I've come over for the jubilee, and I don't expect to have much change left out of £5,000 when I go back. But vertising. Many of these cures are marthere's plenty more where that came

"Rather injudicious to be so communicative to a stranger, is it not?" commented Mr. Dane to his neighbor. "Oh, he is an unlicked cub, with all his experience before him. Now, I have been a globe-trotter for years, and England seems the most delightful place on earth to me, though nearly all my old friends are dead or married, and I put

the other with rather a melancholy "Indeed. You must have many interesting experiences to relate," said Mr. Dane, attacking a salmi of ortolans with great gusto. "I have always desired to travel, and I was very inter-

ested in a discourse on the state of the Fiji Islanders delivered this afternoon at Exeter hall by Rev. James Fergus "Yes, they are a very interesting ace," observed the stranger, and somehow, Mr. Dane found himself imparting a valuable fund of second-hand information to a most interested listener.

He went to bed that night very well he never had before, that a man needed to leave home to be appreciated. Really, Mr. Peyton, as he found his

new acquaintance was called, was a languid eyes. "Come, come, Bill, it's Dealer, decided acquisition. He always sat by no use bluffing any more. You're bound him at dinner, and once or twice Mr. to lay down your hand. The boss holds Dane had gone up to his private room the joker. Better go and pack your afterward, where the cigars produced togs quickly, like the colonel and me. were of the best quality, as was the There's no sense in having the tees in liqueur brandy. Mr. Peyton was a par- with that little matter of writing Walticularly well-bred, refined man, and it | dorf Astor's name by mistake still unwas only by chance mention Rev. settled, and so you'd see if you hadn't a Thomas found out how well connected was his new friend, so he was rather side your skin." surprised one afternoon to come upon he had licked a man twice his own refused to leave. And, finally, the manabecause a tale of his having been a weight and a professional bruiser into ger, losing his patience, sent for a stal-

"You see, he isn't a bad-hearted lad." said Mr. Peyton, afterward, "and he thing. doesn't seem to have a friend in Eng-The vicar had never regarded him with land, so on that account I have rather

"It is very good of you to be bothered with him, I am sure," said Mr. Dane, who did not much relish the Australian's addressing him as "Bishop."

Curiously enough, that very evening a bluff, genial manner, whom he introduced to Mr. Dane as Col. Staunton. "He's one of the oldest Virginia families," he explained, "one of the old posely misunderstood me, Mr. Sinclair, sort, chivalrous, aristocratic, impulsive; hates the very name of New York. struck. You'll find him very entertaining."

"I shall gladly do so," said Rev Thomas, flattered by the invitation. It really was very pleasant upstairs in the cozy little sitting-room. To celedered four bottles of '84 champagne,

"I say, Peyton, what do you say to a game of cards?" said Col. Staunton, against the gentleman."

after awhile. "You and I have had So it was to Charlie's

any a duel, ch?"

but I can sit and look on," said Rev. Thomas, with a genial smile.

"Oh, well then, what shall it be, whist with a dummy?" suggested Peyton.
"Whist be jiggered," said the Australian. "Let's have a game of poker."

any eards. I wonder whether we could send out for some?" exclaimed the host. "Oh, I have a couple of packs in my Gladstone," said Col. Staunton. "I'l go and get them." He soon returned

he cut, began to deal. "I remember when I was at college I knew some very amusing card tricks," said Mr. Dane, with a sudden flash of ngenious. Let me see-there was one

ton, I believe, the four of spades?"

explain it to me by and by.' the deuce of hearts," put in the Aus- devoted to industries. Some of the figtralian, rudely.

"I think you are mistaken," said Mr. Peyton, suavely.

success. "Now this is very clever. You see these three cards. Now, the queen 000,000, can boast of 213 persons who is in the middle. I hold them losely in have celebrated their centennial in my fingers-so-"

with a start, they saw the manager in significant. Of persons who have the room. "Well, sir, what do you want here?"

said Col. Staunton, brusquely.

Thomas Dane, to leave the hotel at once," said the manager, coolly. "What do you mean by insulting gen-

the other raised his hand. Sing Sing, and have a dozen other names. Mr. Aubrey Peyton, alias Mon- a single one in Switzerland, with its tague Ward, alias Clement Mortimer, ness of their clothes anothe curious alias Slippery Jack, is the cleverest card-

> but we don't want any of you here, so for your own sakes you had better clear out with as little fuse as possible." "Do you mean to say they are all card-

whole gang of you have come over to

London to operate on jubilee jugginses.

"All. And you may be very thankful old country to cheat an estralian. their little game was brought to a close

> "Sir, you grossly insult me. I am a clergyman of the Church of England.

"Folks here don't know how to cine. Its great cures recorded in truthful, convincing language of grateful men and women, constitute its most effective advelous. They have won the confidence of troubles, catarrh - cures which prove

Hood Sarsaparilla

Is the best-in fact the One True Blood Purifier.

fore," said the manager, with a grim "You don't suppose I've run a hotel all these years for nothing. Come on, go

quietly, and you won't be hurt."
"Here, you!" shouted Mr. Dane, turning excitedly to Peyton, who had pushed his chair back from the table, and sat satisfied with himself, and feeling as listening with a cool smile, "do me at least the justice to say we never met until four days ago."

A queer gleam came into Peyton's thought too much Pommery Greno in-

Perhaps he had hit on the true source him talking to the young Australian, of Mr. Dane's valor, but be that as it who was telling a choice story of how may, the reverend gentleman stoutly wart Swiss waiten to eject him, treating his threats of the law as an idle

Now it chanced that that very night, Charlie Sinclair had come up to the Hotel Berti to a school dinner, and hearing a scuffle, waited to see what it was about, but he could hardly believe his eyes when he saw Rev. Thomas being forced down the main staircase by a strong and phlegmatic waiter, his face another friend of Mr. Peyton's turned crimson, his hair on end, his white tie up quite unexpectedly at dinner. An with its bow rakishly under one ear, open-faced, weather-beaten man, with and shouting most awful threats of

"It's a gang of card-sharpers we are turning out," explained the manager. "Why, Mr. Dane! What are you doing here;" exclaimed Sinclair, thunder-

At the sound of a familiar voice, the vicar gave a cry of relief. "Oh, Charlie. ny boy, is that you? For Heaven's sake; come and tell these ruffians who

"Do you know him, Mr. Sinclair," said brate his meeting with his old friend the manager, to whom Charlie was a er-misplaced flippancy I can see the Col. Staunton rang the bell, and or- well-known customer. "We found him playing cards with two well-known cardand under its genial influence, and that sharpers and a rich Australian they were going to pigeon."

"There is some mistake about it. which both Peyton and the colonel vicar of Slocum Pogis, and I am quite laughed heartily, so that he could af- ready to vouch for his respectability,"

"Oh, of course, that alters the case," aid the manager, rather crestfallen. "but appearances were so utterly

So it was to Charlie's good office the ar owed his escape "But our friend here, Mr. Dane, sition of shame, and all the young man night object," said Peyton, turning to said by way of comment was: "You know we are bidden to avoid all ap-"My cloth won't allow me to play, pearances of evil, sir," but a compact was entered into between them by virtue of which Charlie held silence as to the events of that night, and Rev. Thomas withdrew his veto on Rose's engagement .- Peterson's Magazine.

"But, dear me, I don't believe I have | SOME CAUSES OF LONGEVITY. More Old People Found in Agricul-

tural Places Than in Cities. A German statistician who has made longevity statistics the special subject of careful researches recently pubwith two packs, and Peyton, winning lished the result of his investigations in an interesting article. On account of the difficulty of obtaining full data in regard to the conditions surrounding said Mr. Dane, with a sudden flash of memory. "I wonder whether I could do them now? Same of them were read deductions as to the causes favorable them now? Some of them were very or unfavorable to longevity are necess sarily hypothetical. The figures ob--now now did it go?" He picked up tai. d by the statistician seem to indithe pack of cards, and was handling cate, however, that climate and the dethem uncertainly. "Ah, I remember. gree of civilization are among the most Please choose a card, Mr. Peyton. Now important factors influencing lonyou are quite certain you will know it gevity. More people of over 100 years again? Place it in the pack, so. Now are found in the mild zone of southern I will shuffle them. You observe I have | Europe than in the higher latitudes, not seen the face of the card. Now I | with their long and severe winters. In deal them into three heaps, shuffle countries with a highly developed civagain, deal. This is your card, Mr. Pey- ilization comparatively fewer cases of longevity are found than in more primi-"Quite right, Mr. Dane. What a won- tive countries. The statistics also show derfully neat trick. I must get you to that in agricultural countries the percentage of people over 100 years old is "It wasn't the four of spades, it was greater than in countries principally ures collected are, indeed, surprising.

According to the last census the German empire has a population of about "Oh, I know several more tricks," 50,000,000. Among them there are only said Rev. Thomas, full of pride at his | 78 who have passed the hundredth year. 000,000, can boast of 213 persons who good health. The figures in regard to The door opened, and, looking up Great Britain are very interesting and passed the century mark there are in England 146, in Ireland 578, and in Scotland only 46. Another peculiar fact "I have come to ask you, the man is the unequal distribution of loncalling himself Peyton, and Rev. gevity in the Scandinavian peninsula. Sweden has only ten centenarians, while rugged Norway, with a population of only about 10,000,000, can tlemen?" blustered the colonel; but boast of 23 people who have lived over five score of years. There "Come, come, there's no use in that. is by five centenarians in the We all know you. You've done time in indus, all beehive of Belgium, only two it sea girt Denmark, and not snow-clad mountains.

Figures from Russia, Austria and Italy could not be obtained. For Russia no census has ever been taken, and data as to the age of individuals are unreliable in that country, unless they are based upon official researches. Such cases would, of course, not enable a statistician to use them as a foundation for any comparison. In Austria and Italy local censuses have been made, but they were mostly confined to cities and certain industrial districts, and no complete figures could be obtained.

The most astonishing figures are furnished by the south of Europe. Spain, with a population of about 18,000,000, has 401 people over 100 years of age. Even more favorable to longevity the elimate of the Balkans seems to be. Servia, with a total population of about 2,250,000, has no less than 575 people

000, 1.084, and Bulgaria, with a popula- the cedar trunk!" mortality reports of Bulgaria. In the den in the rag basket-they took minute kingdom of Servia there were, them!" according to the census of 1892, 290 persons between 105 and 115 years of age, diamonds. I'm not going to worry. 153 between 115 and 125 years, 18 between 125 and 135 and three between

The question, who is the oldest person in the world? has often been asked, inals." the people; have given Hood's Sarsapa- and every now and then some claim in rilla the largest sales in the world, and | that respect is set up in favor of some | assertion. According to the researches of the German statistician, the oldest person in the world, whose age has been proved beyond a doubt, is Bruno Cotrim, a negro, who was born in Africa 150 years ago and now lives in Rio de Janeiro. Next comes a coachman in Moscow, with 140 years to his authentically established record. The oldest woman in the world is 130 years old, but does not want to have her name mentioned, because she thinks that there who might feel offended if the palm were awarded to her .- Cincinnati Comnercial Tribune

SAMARITAN WAS SHOCKED.

Be Useless.

"Excuse me," he said, "but you really ought to shake off the cares of business and go somewhere for complete

"You mind your own affairs," said he other man, gruffly. The sympathetic passenger looked

"Of course," he said, "your case is nothing to me. I only proffered the advice in a spirit of friendliness. At the same time, anybody can see at a glance that you are suffering from too lose confinement."

"There now, let up on that," said the gruff man. "I don't want any more of our chaff."

dition?" said the sympathetic passenger, without heeding the rebuke. "Mighty little," growled the gruff

"I wish I could," said the gruff man. "What you need is to get out and drink in the free air of nature," said

shook him so thoroughly that something tinkled at his wrists. He held up his arms, and lo! he was handcuffed!

sunk back in his seat dumb with hor-

the Bengali Babus found that they DID NOT MIND THE BURGLARS. were mistaken by the police for Mocammedans, and so they immediate-Why the Optimistic Mrs. Blank Was

caused by his getting down to clean his difficult to get a shave at that. feet when it is muddy and taking long steps to avoid making tracks.

recently, says the Chicago Times-Herald, he discovered that burglars had paid the house a visit during the night, and he hurried back to apprise Mrs. "They've taken all the silver in the

house," he gasped, out of breath. "Well, they won't get much for itthere's that old comfort anyhow," she "But your sealskin cloak is gone from

tion of 3,300,000, even 3,883. In one, "I'm glad of it-sealskin is out of year (1892) there were 350 persons of date, and now I'll get something new." more than 100 years included in the "But your diamonds that were hid-

Just put it in the hands of the police

I dare say the poor burglars were driven

to crime for want of bread. I always

had a good deal of sympathy for crim-

"But they've cleaned the house."

"John, you don't mean it? And I've

been dreading fall house cleaning all

summer. I told you there was some

good in everybody," and Mrs. Blank

ABOUT FIREFLIES.

They Are Never So Plentiful in a

"The lightning bugs, or fireflies, as many call them," explained a bugolo-

gist of the agricultural department to

a Washington Star reporter, "disap-

peared as suddenly as they made their

appearance this summer. They were

a couple of weeks later than usual in

making their public appearance, for

but few were seen until the middle of

May. In comparison with former years

the number was decidedly small. Now,

ordinarily, they are in evidence until nearly the end of August, but none

have been seen for nearly two weeks.

The more rain there is during the sum-

mer the fewer the lightning bugs.

There is only this connection between

lightning bugs and rain: The frequent

rains wish them off the trees and

drown them. It has always been no-

ticed that they are much more nu-

merous during dry summers than wet

summers. The present summer bears

places where there were no rains."

breathe into a liquid form and ship-

The Babu's Beard.

The Bengali Babu is a Hindoo and is

usually close shaven. But of late years

the Babus in Calcutta have suffered

their beards to grow, while the Moham-

ly rushed off to the barbers to be

shaved. The rush and excitement was

Revolutionary Pensioners.

daughters of soldiers who fought in

There are still on the pension rolls

industrial purposes.

turned over for another nap.

FARM & GARDEN. "Oh, well, there isn't any money in

THE CORN HARVEST.

Labor-Saving Devices Have Made Its Gathering Easy. Harvesting the corn crop is being made easier every year by improve-

ments in labor-saving machinery and devices. Large commercial crops are cut, tied and left in straight rows by the improved corn harvester, while the bundles placed in shocks or stooks of 12 to 20 bundles to cure are then drawn to the barn and run through the shredder. Farmers who cannot afford the latest and improved machinery, or who have small areas of corn, cut by slee as illustrated below, or by hand cutter. The armfuls thus cut have to be tied in bundles, various materials being used for this purpose, some using two or three cornstalks, others a small handful of long, strong straw, swamp grass or willows. But whether cut by improved machinery or by hand cut ter, the large bundles, shocks or stooks have to be securely fastened to withstand the fall wind and storms.

To make a corn cutter, as portrayed herewith, make a platform with run ners six feet long and two inches thick; the higher the runners the higher it



off the palm as a wet summer. In this respect it has not been equaled for four into top of runners. Nail boards years-that is, in the east. In the on cross ties to make a platform 30 middle west it is just the other way, inches wide and nearly six feet long. extremely dry. It may be that the Get a good steel knife and make it very sharp, say 22 inches long and five inches wide. Bevel the edge from the bot tom or underside. Have a rod made with an eye in the center and curved, in order to fasten either end to a run ner and hitch a horse in the center. nicely, as shown at a. Bore a hole in platform or runner, and put in a stake about six inches high (b) even across with the base of rod (c). Another stake on the right side of platform near the platform (d). Take a rod of five-eighthinch iron 67 inches long and weld a piece of flat_iron one-half inch thick and eight inches long to the end of it. from center to back of platform), and employed compressing the very air we the platform, as in e. Bend the rod so as to have it extend out over the edge ping it to all parts of the globe for of the platform, over and back of the knife (h), then bend the rod in so as to extend about two inches over the platform at the center two by four A very curious circumstance occurred cross brace (f). From there bend the during the recent riots in Calcutta.

the same height all the time. medans never shave their beards. Durthe names of seven widows and nine

of platform, and when a large pile of | with is perhaps as good as any. Put the corn is cut and laid across the sled, ordinary check lines on outside horses -London has 1,000 firemen, Paris has stop and shock it up.-Farm and Home.

Farmers Should Avail Themselves of the Tenchings of Science Any man who will travel through the country with his eyes open will notice a great many lightning rods on buildings which instead of being a benethe comb by a stay, separate the points and sharpen them at the upper end, will

fective protection.-Wallace's Farmer. WOMEN AS FARMERS.

by a Nebraska Woman.

not be successful as farmers, and anwomen to assist her. She owns a large tract of land in northwestern Nebraska | croached each year more on the culti- times. If the vinegar is too strong, add which she says she intends to give to vated fields. 12 deserving widows of northwestern

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and may others who are suffering do as I did and find relief, and may many homes be brightened as mine has been."-MRS. L. Z. WHITNEY, 5 George St., E.

the rainfall of the section is sufficient He Likes to Ride There, and Does to insure bountiful crops. The near-It Twice a Day. est the women will be allowed to come "D'ye see that dog?" said the conto dealings with men is to sell the crops to them. If Mrs. Bemis ever learns that a man has been employed about the premises the farms will revert to her. Any member of the community who marries will also forfeit her title to a share in the property.-Chicago

"Well, that's the smartest dog in this An Arrangement Excellently Adapt-"Can you tell me how to drive four horses abreast with two lines, and sistent deadhead you ever saw. without jockey sticks?" was recently

For field work the arrangement scorn to ride in such commonlige shown in the sketch presented here-

MOTHERHOOD.

How Good Constitutions Are

Transmitted to Children.

A mother who is in good physical condition transmits to her

The child fairly drinks in health from its mother's robust con-

stitution before birth, and from a healthy mother's milk after.

ments at birth, and they would not experience those annoying

In the following letter to Mrs. Pinkham, Mrs. Whitney demon-

"From the time I was sixteen years old till I was twenty-three, I

was troubled with weakness of the kidneys and terrible pains when

my monthly periods came on. I made up my mind to try Lydia E.

Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and was soon relieved. After I

was married, the doctor said I would never be able to go my full time

and have a living child, as I was constitutionally weak. I had lost

a baby at seven months and a half. The next time I commenced

at once and continued to take your Compound through the period

of pregnancy, and I said then, if I went my full time and the baby

lived to be three months old, I should send a letter to you. My

baby is now seven months old and is as healthy and hearty as one

"I am so thankful that I used your medicine, for it gave me the

robust health to transmit to my child. I cannot express my grati-

tude to you; I never expected such a blessing. Praise God for

strates the power of the Compound in such cases. She says:

children the blessings of a good constitution.

healthy maternity?

Is not that an incentive to prepare for a

Do you know the meaning of what is popu-

larly called those "longings," or cravings,

which beset so many women during pregnancy?

blood. Nature cries out and will be satisfied

at all hazards. One woman wants sour things,

another wants sweets, another

The real need all the time is

E. Pinkham's Vegetable Com-

pound, which for twenty years

has sustained thousands of wo-

men in this condition, there

would be fewer disappoint-

Somerville, Mass.

which method experiments have proved

FOUR-HORSE LINES.

ed for Field Work.

to enrich the blood so as to

wants salt things, and so on.

There is something lacking in the mother's

as shown by L. Have four coupling straps made with snap on one end and an adjustable loop on the other end, by means of which its length can be readhow straps are made. The loop works in hame ring, while the snap fastens to bit (B). Snaps may be used on both wouldn't touch him."

ends. Another arrangement is to use lines on outside horses, same as here shown, and, instead of the four coupling straps, use but three, and with these couple the horses heads together right through.

HOW TO DRIVE FOUR HORSES

FACTS FOR FARMERS. Attack a ringbone just as soon as it

makes its appearance. If the dog is heavily coated mercifully A contemporary does not like hog

The merciful man will have shade for

Every farmer should own a breast

A hog was never in-

wallows. We do.

The stallion ought to be driven fast

Rotten swill and hot weather are bad

much better than such swill. better.-Western Plowman.

Clearing Fence Corners.

weeds, grass or shrubs. As a rule all leather being carried away in its the old-time fence corners were kept | mouth. He succeeded in killing the scrupulously clean. A good deal of snake, which proved to be six feet in valuable hay was made from what the length, and had 16 rattles. scythe reached in and cut there. But when the horse mower and the selfbinding reaper came into use, it every year became harder to find anybody who could be hired to clear out the three pounds of light brown sugar and fence corners. The result was that a few small red peppers. Let the nounces that she is going to try the the ax rather than the scythe was reexperiment if she can get a dozen quired, and the growth, instead of being restricted to fence corners, en- and let come to a boil two or three

Get the Land in Condition. farmers. In return she will require them to cultivate it without man's assistance. She says she will start them is to improve its physical condition by with me for a wife? out with all the machinery they need, a sufficient supply of cattle, horses, by the addition of humus, and perhaps Yellow Book. swine and poultry to serve as a nest by underdrainage. It must first be put egg, and money to last them until the in such condition that plants can grow first harvest can be disposed of. She in it. After that the addition of chemadmits that the climate is dry, but pro- ical fertilizers may pay by giving addi-

DOG ON THE FENDER.

ductor of a suburban car, as he pointed to a water spaniel lying in a shady yard. The newspaper man, says the St. Louis Republic, admitted that he did, but there was something in his tone that seemed to indicate that he saw nohing remarkable about the

town," said the conductor. "Most of the boys know him, especially the motormen, because he is the most per-"Oh, no. He doesn't get on the car

style. He rides only on the fender, and he does it because he enjoys the

"George, that's my motorman, was the first to give him a free trip, and it was purely accidental. The dog ran out to bark at the car and the fender picked him up and carried him two or three blocks. When the car stopped he crawled out, looking as if he was scared to death. But a couple of days later as we were going out the car stopped at the coiner of McPherson avenue, and that dog deliberately stepped on the fender. He stayed there until the car made the next stop at

Laclede, and then he stepped off again. "He must have liked his first ride in spite of his fright, and planned how to get a ride without running any risks. He has repeated the performance every morning and evening for six months except when there was a particularly bad storm. I don't know who owns him, but if he was mine \$500

FIGHTING A RATTLESNAKE. Idaho Man Had to Tear the Reptile

Bernard Sharkey, owner of the Copper Queen mine, near Salmon, Idaho, lately had an encounter with a rattlesnake which, for sensational features, has seldom been equaled in a contest with a reptile, says the Denver Republican. Mr. Sharkey was passing along a mountain trail. The footing was uncertain, and he was holding to bushes, grass, etc., on the upper side of the trail with one hand. Intent upon where he was stepping, he did not notice he had aroused a snake, and had no warning of impending danger until the rattler darted his fangs into his hand.

The snake did not release his hold, but attempted to coll itself around Mr. Sharkey's arm during the descent. enough to cover him with lather. Then Gaining his feet, Mr. Sharkey attempted to shake the reptile off, but found it impossible. He then drew his revolver. mixtures for the hog. Pure water is and shot it. The snake loosened its clutch on his hand, but darted at him As a rule farm work does not require again, and sank its teeth in his leather big, heavy horse. A lighter horse is coat. Holding to the coat it twined itself about his body, but with both hands free Mr. Sharkey continued to Nothing more clearly shows the battle with the better advantage. He painstaking and careful farmer than to loosened the coils of the snake, got his have fence corners between fields or foot on its body, and literally tore it along the roadside kept free from away from his coat, a piece of the

> Sweet Pickles. To 500 small cucumbers, take three quarts of cider vinegar; add two ounces each of cinnamon, allspice and cloves,

> water, then put them in the cold vinegar one quart of water .- N. Y. Ledger. Nothing to Do with the Case. He-Will you marry me? She-Do you think you could be happy

> "What's that got to do with it?"-Describing Him.
> Sally Gay-What kind of a fellow is

Jack Kissinger? Dolly Swift-An osculatory klepto-

of Hood's Sarsaparilla,

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have made necessary for its manufacture | individual of uncertain age. A few the greatest laboratory on earth. Hood's | years ago a report went through the Sarsaparilla is known by the cures it has continental press of Europe saying that made-cures of scrofula, salt rheum and in Russia a man had been found who had eczema, cures of rheumatism, neuralgia reached the ripe old age of 160 years. and weak nerves, cures of dyspepsia, liver However, no proofs were given for that "Oh, I've seen your sort of parson be- are many older women in this world,

All of His Good Advice Seemed to

The man who knew a little of everything looked at the passenger in the seat shead of him and finally leaned forward, says the Cleveland Plain

rest and quiet."

"What's money to a man in your con-

"You'll never pardon yourself for this neglect," said the sympathetic

the sympathetic passenger.
"You bet it is," chuckled the gruff His chuckle turned to a laugh that

Turning to the horrified passenger, he noarsely whispered: "Ten years in the pen; ha, ha, ha!" And the sympathetic philanthropist

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lightning bugs knew of it and went to "Compressing air until it will remain compressed without any pressure upon it," are the few words with which a This rod should be of one-half inch writer in the Electrical Engineer de- round iron, and long enough to work scribes the new product, "aerine," or liquefied air-remarking that, though requiring an enormous pressure to get it in such a form, it will remain there for some time in the open air; that is, of the same size, but 20 inches high until it gets heat enough from the surrounding air to turn again into its edge, and 21 inches from the front of natural state. It will turn mercury into a solid form as soon as it is poured into it, and freeze a thermometer rapidly. Such is the assumed prospective usefulness of this liquid that predic- bolt the flat piece to platform (13 inches tions are made of distant water powers now running to waste being soon bend the rod forward 17 inches above

rod out to g. Be sure to have it carry The bends in the rod are made in order to bring in the corn and lay it across the platform without the help of a man. In this way the danger of lng the recent Moslem riots in Calcutta standing over the knife is averted. Nail a small stick something like a lath from top of stake d to the outside runner a few inches ahead of the knife. Bolt the knife to platform about 26 inches from back part of platslant back considerably. I put a scrap piece of two-inch plank under the platform at c and h, to make the platform more solid where the large rod and knife were bolted fast. The large rod from g to e should be with bends 50 inches long. Directly across it is 48 the revolutionary war. The widows inches, thus using two inches for bends. receive \$12 a mouth each under a The large rod is outside of stake d asked us. general act; the daughters a stipu- about five inches. Hitch on a quiet horse, lated sum by an individual act passed hang the lines on d and ride on rear

ABOUT LIGHTNING RODS.

fit are a positive injury. For example, they will be found lying down on the barn or the house, or broken off, or cracked perhaps near the ground. Rods of this kind are of no use whatever and an injury rather than a benefit. We see no benefit in having glass insulators but regard them rather as an injury. It is, therefore, well the first wet day to look after these disabled rods. Ily adjusted. Separate cut (S) shows As we have frequently stated, the lightning rod requires first good ground connection, by which we mean that it should be imbedded far enough in the ground to reach permanent moisture. Next, it should have close metallic connection with the buildings, and finally it should reach several feet above the comb, be well supported and drawn to a fine point, and if this is galvanized the better. It may be made out of round iron or twisted smooth wire, or copper ribbon. All good rods cover the three or four points above mentioned. A man my spend quite a little money in shear him this hot weather. lightning rods, or he may put them up cheaply, according as his purse or fancy dictates. A man may take a spool of jured by a good wallow. good barb wire, give it good ground connection, nail it to the building, run it the stock. So will the man who works over the comb along the roof, over the for the greatest profit. comb again, and back to the place of beginning and connect it at the four strap for use on horses that show sympcorners of this quadrangle at the ground | toms of sore shoulders. by another piece of barb or smooth wire, or by two or three strands of smooth wire twisted together, and give rubbed down thoroughly. it good connection and he will have a very good lightning rod. A man who will plat three or four smooth wires together, give them good ground connection, staple them to the building, support them three or four feet above

have a fairly good lightning rod. What we are insisting on is that farmers should avail themselves of the teachings of science on this question and protect their lives and property as cheaply as they can and still secure ef-

Peculiar Scheme to Be Innugurated Mrs. Hattie N. Bemis, of Arabia, Neb., does not see why women should

poses to instruct her wards in the op-eration of a system of soil culture by